

### **III. Remarks**

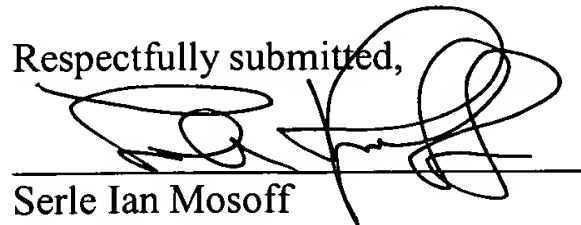
Claims 17-27 are pending in the present application. Claims 1, 2, and 9 have been cancelled; claims 21-24 have been amended; claims 25 - 27 are newly presented.

Applicant acknowledges with thanks the discussion with the examiner and the proposed examiner's amendment with changes to clarify the claims. The examiner's suggestions have been incorporated into the revised claim set

### **Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112**

Claims 1, 2 and 17-24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claim 1 and 2 have been cancelled and claims 21-24 have been amended for clarity. It is believed this places the claims in condition for allowance and passage of this case to allowance is earnestly solicited. However, if for any reason the Examiner should consider this application not to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action. Any fee due with this paper, not fully covered by an enclosed check, may be charged on Deposit Account 50-1290.

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